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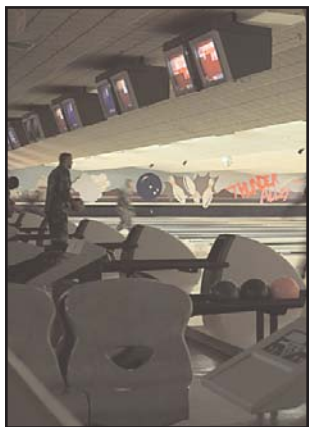
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## Feature



Directorate of Community Activities offers plenty of activities for post patrons.

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## Happenings



A landmark along Highway 115 near Fort Carson's Gate 6 is the gigantic Hercules beetle marking the May Natural History Museum of the Tropics.

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## Vehicle Registration

The trailer by gate 1 has been removed. Vehicle registration will now be done in the guard shack at gate 1 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

Post Weather hotline:  
**526-0096**



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## Remembering Sept. 11 ...

Firefighters and military personnel unfurl a large American flag from the roof of the Pentagon during President George W. Bush's Sept. 12 visit to the Pentagon following the Sept. 11 attacks.

The Fort Carson community will remember Sept. 11 Wednesday during ceremonies from 3 to 5 p.m. at Soldiers' Memorial, Prussman and Provider Chapels, which will consist of readings, prayers, songs and comments by chaplains. The chapel bells will also ring at 8:45 a.m. for 15 minutes to commemorate the first impact. The post and local community are invited to attend.

## 3rd ACR Troopers wrap it up at NTC

by Staff Sgt. Michael Rautio  
Fort Carson Public Affairs Office

The troopers of the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment have completed the first stage of their training and moved into the second portion of their training at Fort Irwin, Calif.

The National Training Center divides the training cycle into two separate segments, force-on-force and live-fire training.

The troopers of the 3rd ACR completed the force-on-force portion of the training earlier this week during which time they drove invaders from the mythical country of "Madera."

During the force on force portion of the training the 11th ACR played the role of the invader and pushed the 3rd ACR on every level during this 10-day portion of the event.

Once the force on force exercises concluded the troopers changed locations and began preparing for the live-fire portion of the exercise.

The live-fire opportunity that NTC presents is quite different from something a trooper would experience on Fort Carson or at Pinon Canyon, according to Chief Warrant Officer John Hurtado, the regimental targeting officer.

Hurtado is no stranger to NTC and the training opportunities it provides. Now on his fifth rotation, he is accustomed to the challenges the training scenarios present. "The live-fire here is something you can't do at Fort Carson or at Pinon Canyon. We are going to have one battalion and two squadrons with live bullets fighting in a coordinated effort," said Hurtado.

The large number of soldiers participating simultaneously in the live fire has a great training value for the soldiers at every level of the regiment, according to Hurtado. "The staff officers are constantly working," he said. Participating in his second tour as a part of the regimental staff, it is something Hurtado is well-versed in. "You know you aren't going to get much sleep for three weeks," he said. What keeps the staff so busy is the constant planning process and the execution of those plans.

But the regimental staffs aren't the only people who are busy during the live fire, according to Hurtado. "The fact that soldiers will get to shoot live ammunition is a big motivator," he said. "And the fact that they know they will be going home soon."

After completing the live fire late this week the troopers will move back to the draw yard and begin the extensive process of repairing and turning in vehicles before boarding the buses which will take them to Fort Carson.

For more information on the return schedule of the 3rd ACR, contact your unit family support group.

## Experiencing Fort Carson ...

Pfc. Mark Garcia, 10th Combat Support Hospital, shoots for a chance to win prizes during the Basketball Shoot, sponsored by the Fort Carson Recreation Programs Team, at the "Fort Carson Experience" Wednesday at the Post Physical Fitness Center. The event was open to anyone interested in learning more about Fort Carson and the many programs and services. This first-ever event included informational booths, unit displays and food for sale



Photo by Spc. Stacy Harris





# News

## Workers raise new structure, dash hopes of enemies

by Staff Sgt. Nate Orme  
Army News Service

**WASHINGTON** — A perfect exterior reflects the midday sun where less than a year ago devastation and chaos reigned.

The exterior belongs to the newly rebuilt section of the Pentagon where only last Sept. 11 it lay destroyed in the aftermath of a terrorist attack by Islamist radicals using a commercial plane as a bomb.

The rebuilding of the Pentagon was necessary. But the speed and dedication by which it was done made this construction project different — this was personal, according to many of construction workers.

“The timetable was set based on the workers’ reaction to what happened. It was really the worker, not just a management decision,” said Rachel Decker, a communications specialist with the Pentagon Renovation Program. “It was really the closest the workers and management could get to fighting the war on terrorism.”

Less than a month after the attacks, Hensel Phelps Construction Co. of Chantilly, Va., was again awarded the contract for the Pentagon construction, this time not to renovate, but to rebuild what its workers had barely finished renovating.

The rebuilding goal has become known as the Phoenix Project, symbolic of the mythical bird that was reborn from the ashes of its own immolation. The name seems to have come from the workers, said

Decker, but added, “No one really knows for sure.”

The Phoenix Project crew borrowed the words “Let’s Roll” for their motto, spoken last year by Todd Beamer to his new friends as they moved to stop the terrorists on Flight 93 over Pennsylvania from carrying out a similar attack as was committed at the Pentagon.

The second renovation has actually used the aftermath of the attacks to improve the building’s design. Using information gathered through interviewing survivors, the new project has a host of improvements over the first renovation, said Brett Eaton, a renovation project manager.

There is now a redundant water supply system to help ensure water will reach all areas in an emergency. Interviewed survivors said that exit signs were not visible because of the thick smoke. Now, photoluminescent exit signs are located along the base of doorways so that in an emergency, personnel can see them if they are crawling under the smoke. Also, intermediate corridors have been added that allow for more pathways of escape during an emergency, Eaton said.

The new design concepts will also be incorporated into the rest of the original 10-year Pentagon Renovation Project, added Jean Barnak, Wedge 1 deputy project manager. The sections of the Pentagon are referred to as wedges, of which there are five.

At the time of the attacks, the Pentagon was already three years into a multi-billion dollar renova-

tion of the 1940s era complex. It was a small mercy that much of the section of the building attacked was empty at the time, as it was the first part to be renovated. Still, 183 Americans died there, including 59 passengers on the plane. While much lower than the number of World Trade Center victims, the count exceeds the number killed in the federal building attack in Oklahoma City, previously the worst act of terrorism on United States’ soil.

The pristine outer walls of the new wedge come from the same Indiana limestone quarry and were cut by the same company, Bybee Stone Co., that supplied the original façade in 1941. Bybee also used the same vintage equipment used to cut the original masonry in order to get the texture just right, since newer equipment gives a much more polished look, said Eaton.

One of the stone slabs is etched with the following words from a message from the president:

“Terrorist attacks can shake the foundations of our biggest buildings but they cannot touch the foundation of America.” — Sept. 11, 2001

Bybee workers also signed the stone. It complements another stone, also etched with the date Sept. 11, 2001. This stone was set in a ceremony June 11, and a commemorative time capsule was placed behind it. The stone is not newly cut, but is one of the origi-

# Myers to American people: Conduct your business as usual

by Sgt. 1st Class Kathleen T. Rhem  
American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — The nation's ranking military officer has a message for the American people: Live your lives to the fullest, and don't cower in fear of terrorists.

Air Force Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said if Americans start hiding and changing how they live, the terrorists who attacked the United States Sept. 11 will have won.

"If you want the terrorists to win, start conducting your life in a much different manner. Conduct it like the terrorists would like you to conduct it, and that is, be afraid," Myers said. "Don't pursue life as a free person. Huddle in your bedroom and don't engage in life."

He was speaking during an interview with the American Forces Press Service and American Forces Radio and Television Service. Portions of the interview will be broadcast to American servicemembers overseas on the one-year anniversary of the attacks.

"What the American people need to do is conduct their business as usual," Myers said.

That doesn't mean there's nothing to worry about.

"One terrorist willing to lose his or her life for whatever they believe in is going to be hard to stop, so there will probably be more attacks," Myers said. "But we can't let them influence our behavior to the point where they win."

Preventing more attacks will take vigilance on the part of all Americans, and the citizens of this country need to know their government is behind them, he said.

Fighting the war on terrorism has already required sacrifices for many people, but they understand the cause is vital, he said.

"We can't forget that this global war on terrorism is a fight essentially for our freedom," he said. "This is not a (case of) 'I hope we win.' This is, 'We better win.' ... Our way of life, the way your children and your grandchildren and your families will prosper would change dramatically if we let the terrorists get the upper hand here."

Families of active and reserve component service members play an especially vital role in this war.

"Serving in the military is a family affair; I think people understand that. (Reservists are) a special issue,

because they often have to leave their civilian employment, which brings their employers into the picture," Myers said.

He noted employers of reserve-component members have been very supportive. "My hat's off to them," Myers said, noting he believes most employers who have lost workers to military duty understand America's freedom is at stake.

The chairman said reserve forces have been "absolutely essential" to the war on terrorism. "We could not do it (without them)," he said. "That's why we have a reserve, for times when you're in global war and you put a huge stress on the active-duty force. You need the reserves to be the shock absorber and to fulfill very important duties that we just don't have the manpower to do."

Myers said being chairman during this time of national crisis is "very fulfilling" for him because he's so proud of the men and women in uniform.

"In the end, it comes down to people doing what they've been asked to do and doing the mission they've been given," he said. "Our people have performed superbly."

## New structure

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nal stones, purposely left charred on its exterior.

Working 24-hours-a-day with a peak of more than 1,000 workers, the plans to get the Pentagon back on track

to meet its original renovation timeline are being met, according to project managers.

"They set us back some, but not significantly. We were able to restore the section in one year that took us three years to complete, Decker said. The goal of rebuilding within a year

was thought too ambitious by some very good planners, but even that goal was exceeded by a month, said Deputy Project Manager Michael Sullivan, on the Pentagon Renovation Program Website. More than 3000 of the original 4,600 displaced occupants are already able to move back in, Decker

said.

When the Pentagon community again assembles this Sept. 11, it will not only mark the one year remembrance of its members lost in the attacks, it will also know that America not only rebuilds quickly, it rebuilds even better than before.

# Military

## Cheney: No question U.S. would pre-empt another 9-11

by Jim Garamone

American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — Vice President Dick Cheney said the terrorists who struck America Sept. 11, are ruthless and striving to get weapons of mass destruction.

He said there's no doubt they wish to strike again. "It is a certainty that the al Qaeda is pursuing such weapons and has succeeded in at least a crude capability to use them," Cheney told the Chosin Few, a Korean War veterans group, at their annual reunion in San Antonio. U.S. leaders have a responsibility to defend America, he said. "If the United States could have pre-empted 9-11, we would have. Should we be able to prevent another, more devastating attack, we will. No question," Cheney remarked. "This nation will not live at the mercy of terrorist or terror regimes."

Cheney also told the group — the survivors of the most intense battle of the Korean War — that the United States seeks to thwart terrorists' plans and hunt them down one-by-one to bring them to justice. "Wherever terrorists operate, we must stop them," he said.

The vice president spoke about the danger Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein poses to the world. He said Hussein already has chemical and biological agents.

"There is no doubt that he is amassing them against our friends, allies and us," Cheney said. "And there is no doubt that his aggressive regional ambi-

tions will lead him into future confrontations with his neighbors."

He said many Iraq watchers believe that Hussein will soon possess nuclear weapons and the means to deliver them. An Iraq with such weapons, he said, would threaten neighbors in the region and nations around the world who depend on the resources of the area.

"The whole range of weapons of mass destruction would then rest in the hands of a dictator who has already shown his willingness to use such weapons," Cheney said.

He said the United States recognizes the threat and will proceed with care, deliberation and in consultation with allies. He said President Bush would consult widely with Congress, and that administration officials will participate fully in the hearings that Congress plans to hold next month.

He addressed assertions of Saudi Arabia and others that Hussein can be dealt with by returning inspectors to Iraq.

"We must remember that inspections are not an end in themselves," Cheney said. "The objective has to be disarmament."

Cheney said old doctrines of security do not apply, given the web joining Iraq, terrorist groups and weapons of mass destruction.

"In the days of the Cold War, we were able to manage the threat with strategies of deterrence and containment," he said. "But it's a lot tougher to deter



Courtesy photo

**The Pentagon was lit all night during the recovery period following the Sept. 11 attacks.**

enemies that have no country to defend. And containment is not possible when dictators obtain weapons of mass destruction and are prepared to share them with terrorists who intend to use them to inflict catastrophic losses on the United States."



# Military Briefs

**Soldiers on profiles** — In accordance with Army Regulation 600-60, all soldiers with a P3 or P4 profile in any area of their body designators — Physical Capacity, Upper extremities, Lower extremities, Hearing, Eyes, Psychiatric (PULHES) are required to appear before the Military Occupation Specialty/Medical Retention Board within 60 days of the signed approved profile. The purpose of this requirement is to maintain the quality of the force by ensuring the soldiers are physically qualified to perform their Primary Military Occupational Specialty worldwide under field conditions. Soldiers with a P3 or P4 profile are non-deployable as of the date the profile is completed. P3 or P4 soldiers are authorized reassignment, training at any U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command course or advancement course, or re-enlistment without appearance before the board. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Keith Cashion at 526-6530.

**Retreat ceremonies for Sept. 11** — Fort Carson will conduct Religious Services and a Retreat Ceremony to commemorate the civilian and military losses from the Sept. 11 attacks, Wednesday from 3 to 5 p.m. Services will be held at Soldiers’ Memorial, Prussman and Provider Chapels, which will consist of readings, prayers, songs and comments by the major subordinate command chaplains. The chapel bells will also ring at 8:45 a.m. for 15 minutes to commemorate the first impact. The post community and local community are invited to attend.

**Claims against the estate of:** With deepest regrets to the family of Pfc. Corey Kaminsky, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to his or her estate should contact 1st Lt. Chad Edlund, 526-9878 or 526-9880.

**Soldiers wanting to take the Automotive Service Examinations in November** must register for the tests by today. Three funded exams are available for servicemembers who have a Military Occupational Specialty in in the following automotive/mechanical service specialties: 52B, 52C, 52D, 61C, 62B, 63B-N, 63B-H, 63B-S, 63B-T, 63B-W and 63B-Y.

Funded exams are available for anyone who previously held the MOS/RATE/AFSC (such as warrant officers) or are currently enrolled in an associate degree program in automotive technology. For information, contact guidance counselors in building 1117, room 160B, or call the Testing Section, 526-8072.

**Fort Carson Ammunition and Explosives amnesty turn-in** — When military A & E is found outside the boundaries of Fort Carson military areas, notify the local civilian authorities or the military police, 526-2333. Abandoned military A & E, excluding small arms ammunition up to and including .50 caliber, will not be moved by untrained personnel. If A & E are found, notify the Fort Carson 764th Explosive Ordnance Company, 526-2643.

Abandoned A & E found on post may be turned in at the Ammunition Reclamation Area, located on Butts Road, one mile south of the airfield. The hours are Mondays through Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30

p.m. For more information, contact the Ammunition Supply Point, 526-4381, or the Quality Assurance Office, 526-1795 or 526-1892.

**Effective immediately, all organizations will use** the United States Postal Service standardized addresses with ZIP plus four assignments. Use is mandatory for both return and delivery addresses. New building signs with new street addresses will be constructed in the future. Please note that not all street addresses will match building numbers. Additionally, change of addresses will not delay your mail service. The following is an example of the format for an official mail return address.

Department of the Army  
Directorate of Public Works  
ATTN: Housing Division  
5050 Tevis St. Bldg 305  
Fort Carson, CO 80913-4001

**Command General Staff College** — Majors and captains (promotable), your ticket to early promotion, Command General Staff College, can be taken on post, one night per week. This “non-resident” course is for active duty and reservists, and is an alternate to the resident course or the correspondence course. The non-resident course offers a structured learning environment, branch diversity, instructor support and fewer papers than the correspondence option. Contact Lt. Col. Matt Kortrey, 390-2164, or Maj. Greg Korpkowski, (719) 668-8530, for information or to enroll. Classes start in October.

**Soldiers and civilians are reminded** that the former landfill site located south of O’Connell Boulevard between the U.S. Army Reserve Center Equipment Concentration Site number 42 and the Military Police K-9 Kennels, building 8998, is off limits to pedestrian and vehicle traffic. For more information, call 526-8001.

**Procedure for replacing lost or stolen Identification Cards** — Effective immediately, all soldiers assigned or attached to Fort Carson who have had an ID Card or Common Access Card lost or stolen will be required to present a memorandum signed by their commander when requesting a replacement card. Local policy requires all active duty soldiers, reservists, retirees, family members and Fort Carson civilian employees who lose their ID or Common Access Card to present a form of identification before a replacement card can be issued. The following forms of ID are acceptable: valid driver’s license with photo, state ID with photo, birth certificate with seal or photocopy of birth certificate that reflects the state file number. If no form of ID is available, the soldier must be accompanied by a senior noncommissioned officer (Sgt. 1st Class or above) or a commissioned officer.

## Hours of operation

**The 3rd Cavalry Museum** will be open to the public from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays until further notice. The museum will be closed Mondays and federal holidays, except Memorial and Veterans Days. Group tours and individual visits from civilians without a valid government identification card can be arranged by contacting the museum, 526-1404 or 526-2028, within 24 hours of the planned visit. The museum staff apologizes for any inconveniences the schedule may create.

**The Information, Tickets and Registration office has moved** — ITR is now located in the Outdoor Recreation Complex, building 2429 on Specker Avenue. The staffs of the ITR Office and the ORC Information Desk are being combined in an effort to better serve customers. Hours of operation are Tuesdays through Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For information, call 526-2083 or 526-5366.

For official travel services, Carlson-Wagonlit Travel, in building 1012 on Long Street, is open Mondays through Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and until 3 p.m. on training holidays.

Travelers are reminded to bring three copies of travel orders when picking up tickets for official travel. Soldiers and family members must have one origi-

nal and one copy of their “travelopes” and three copies of each order, to include amendments, for overseas permanent changes of station. If you cannot pick up your tickets in person, you can fax a copy of orders to 526-1142 or 576-5262 for issuance of an E-ticket.

Please call 576-5188 to confirm receipt of faxed orders. Tickets will not be issued without orders. If you do not use your ticket, you must bring it and two copies of your orders. If you were issued an E-ticket and did not travel, you still must bring in two copies of orders to process a refund for the unused ticket.

**Central Issue Facility hours of operation** are: Regular business hours: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Thursdays 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. Initial Issue/Partial Issue/DX: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Thursdays: 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. Partial Turn-Ins: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. All Full Turn-Ins require an appointment. Please call 524-2006 or 526-2729 to schedule an appointment. For questions, call Stacey Sly at 526-5512.

**Provost Marshal Office** will no longer in- or out-process soldiers from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. due to the low number of soldiers serviced during that time. Normal operation hours are 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. Soldiers requiring any type of emergency clearing will continue to be assisted during that time. For information, call Staff Sgt. Alfred C. Kirk at 526-8289.

## Briefings

**ETS/Transition briefing schedule** — In order for soldiers to receive their ETS orders, soldiers must attend an ETS briefing. Soldiers may sign in at 7:15 a.m. and the briefing begins at 7:30 a.m. in building 1118, room 317. For more information, call the Transition Center at 526-2240 or 526-4298.

**Pest control training** — Pest Management Regulation, AR 200-5, requires only certified applicators apply pesticides on military installations. The Directorate of Environmental Compliance and Management has a program that provides military personnel the necessary training and herbicide. Each unit is allowed a maximum of five people for training unless approved through the unit commander to DECAM. Training sessions are scheduled for the first and third Tuesday of every month from 10 to 11 a.m. at building 3711 until all units have received the training.

**The Commanding General’s Newcomers’ Brief** is the third Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. at McMahon Theater.

The following are dates for upcoming briefings: Oct. 16, Nov. 20 and Dec. 18.


## Miscellaneous

**Company H, 5th Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group** invites all former members to a reunion Sept. 14 through 15 in Denver. Those interested should contact [cohthbn@aol.com](mailto:cohthbn@aol.com) or Co. H/5th Bn. Reunion, P.O. Box 31512, Aurora, CO 80012.

**Monthly siren test** — To ensure Fort Carson sirens remain operational, a monthly test will be conducted at noon on the last Friday of each month. The test will sound six seconds on, six seconds off, for a duration of five minutes. The “all clear” will be indicated by a continuous three-minute siren.

**Fort Carson has recently formed the “Mountain Post Team Military Intelligence Corps Association Chapter.”** MICA was formed as a worldwide Military Intelligence professional organization to band together intelligence professionals in a forum to share ideas, experiences and to continually improve our profession.

**Editor’s note:** The deadline for submitting “Briefs” to the Mountaineer is 5 p.m. Friday before publication.



**Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers**

**BOSS Executive Council** meets the first Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Post Physical Fitness Center, building 1829. The post BOSS meeting, for BOSS representatives, meets the second Thursday of each month at Christopher’s from 1 to 3 p.m. For information, call 524-BOSS.

*New Web site*

# Pay, allowance differences explained at click of mouse

by Sgt. 1st Class Kathleen T. Rhem  
American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — Anything you ever wanted to know about your military pay but didn't know who to ask is now available with a couple of mouse clicks. The Office of the Secretary of Defense has a military compensation Web site at [www.militarypay.dtic.mil/pay/index.html](http://www.militarypay.dtic.mil/pay/index.html).

The site explains the differences between pay and allowances and describes the intended purpose for the various allowances. For instance, the Basic Allowance for Subsistence is designed to offset the costs of a member's meals, but is "not intended to offset the costs of meals for family members."

A separate Basic Allowance for Housing primer available on the site explains the ins and outs of BAH, including

how it's computed and why rates can differ so much from one location to another.

A link to the "Regular Military Compensation Calculator" can give servicemembers a glimpse of how their pay and tax-free allowances stack up against civilian pay.

For instance, an E-6 with eight years of service living in the Washington, D.C., area with a spouse and two children would have to earn more than \$51,000 to take home the same amount after state and federal taxes are deducted.

Active duty members approaching their 15th year of service might find the retirement choice calculator particularly helpful.

Members who entered active service after July 31, 1986, have to choose at 15 years whether they'll opt for the "high-

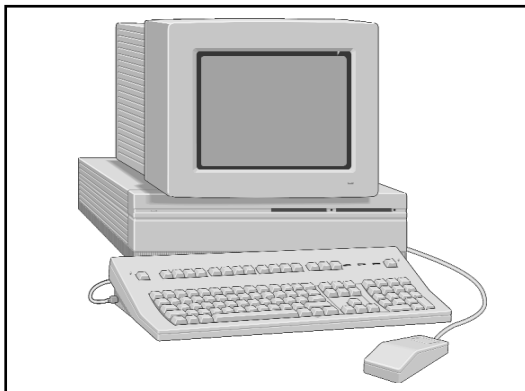
three" or "redux" retirement plans.

High-three basically pays you 50 percent of the average of your three highest paying years of service. Redux pays you a \$30,000 bonus at 15 years, then 40 percent of your base pay per month at retirement. Both have positive and negative points, and servicemembers need to choose, based on their personal situation.

A calculator on this site allows you to input personal data and then gives you charts to show how much each option would provide you over a 40-year period.

Other sections on this site fully explain survivor benefits and the Thrift Savings Plan.

Other online sites provide additional information. Reserve-component and civilian pay charts can be found at [www.dfas.mil](http://www.dfas.mil). Stateside and overseas per diem rates are at [www.dtic.mil/perdiem/pdrates.html](http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/pdrates.html). Links to information on the federal long-term care insurance program, federal civilian careers and personnel matters are available on [www.opm.gov](http://www.opm.gov).



# Greenback

## BAH: Is too much coming out of your own pocket?



Jang

**by Capt. Ho Jang  
4th Finance Battalion  
Why doesn't Basic  
Allowance for Housing  
cover all my housing costs?  
or my mortgage payment?**

One of the common misconceptions regarding BAH is that it was intended to cover all of a servicemember's housing costs. The original BAH law stated that the allowance could cover no

more than 80 percent of housing costs. Accordingly, the average servicemember had at least 20 percent in out-of-pocket expenses. In 2000, the Secretary of Defense committed to reducing the average out-of-pocket expense for the median member to zero by 2005. In 2002, it is 11.3 percent. Continuing, we expect 7.5 percent for 2003, 3.5 percent for 2004 and 0 percent for 2005.

As noted previously, the actual out-of-pocket expense for an individual may be higher or lower than the typical, based on his/her actual choice of housing. For example, if a servicemember chooses a bigger or more costly residence than the median, he or she will have larger out-of-pocket expenses. The opposite is true if a servicemember chooses to occupy a smaller or less costly residence. Only for the member with median costs do we say that out-of-pocket expense is the same for a given pay grade and dependent status in any loca-

tion in the United States.

By design, BAH does not consider mortgage costs. Homeowners' monthly mortgage payments do not necessarily relate directly to rent, so we do not use them in the calculations. Mortgage payments are affected by:

- Expected appreciation in the value of the residence
- Amount of down payment
- Opportunity costs of interest from down payments
- Settlement costs
- Tax savings due to the deduction of interest payments

In contrast, BAH reflects current rental market conditions, not the historical circumstances surrounding existing mortgage loans.

**Why is BAH based on my duty station rather than where I live?**

BAH compensates members for typical housing costs within a reasonable commuting distance of their duty location. Once the duty station is known, the BAH is fixed, regardless of where the member chooses to live. If the location of the member's residence were used as a basis for the entitlement, members who commute from lower cost areas would have lower BAH rates, even though their commuting expenses were higher. The BAH rate is determined by the duty station so that members may live near their duty location, but they remain free to live where they choose. Actual member choices, remember, do not influence the calculation of rates.

The opportunity for servicemembers to choose their off-base housing is important to Department of Defense. Each member has the freedom to decide how to allocate his or her income (including housing allowance) without a penalty for deciding to conserve some dollars on rent to pay other expenses.

One such choice that members frequently make is to "trade-off" a longer commute to work for either a larger or less expensive house in an outlying area. For example, two members assigned to a downtown duty station may make drastically different housing choices. One member may choose to use all of his or her housing allowance to rent an apartment in the city, with a commute time of only 10 minutes to the downtown duty station. The second member might prefer to rent a less expensive three-bedroom house in an outlying neighborhood and commute to that same downtown duty station from 20 or 30 miles away. Both members are free to choose the situation that best suits them.

**4th Finance Battalion Internal Evaluation Field Training Exercise:**

The 4th Finance Battalion will be conducting an Internal Evaluation FTX from Oct. 7 to 10.

All finance services will be closed during that period with the exception of the In and Out Processing Detachment, which will remain open to assist soldiers arriving or departing Fort Carson. Each detachment will have on call personnel for emergencies only. Please contact your servicing finance detachment if you have any questions.



# Dining Schedule

## Weekday Dining Facilities

### A La Carte Facilities

43rd ASG Cheyenne Mtn. Inn (building 1040)  
3rd BCT Iron Bde. (building 2061)  
3rd ACR CAV House (building 2461)

### Standard Facilities

10th Special Forces Group (A) (building 7481)

### Weekday Meal Hours

	<b>Mon., Tues., Wed. and Fri.</b>	<b>Thur.</b>
Breakfast	7:30 to 9 a.m.	5:30 to 7 a.m.
Lunch	11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.	noon to 1:30 p.m.
Dinner	5 to 6:30 p.m.	4 to 5:30 p.m.

## **Week of Sept. 7 to Sept. 13**

### **Exceptions**

- Butts Army Airfield Dining Facility is closed until further notice.
- Cheyenne Mountain Inn breakfast hours are 7 to 9 a.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
- 10th SFG (A) meal hours are the same Monday through Friday. It serves no dinner meal on Fridays.
- CAV House Dining Facility is closed Saturday and Sunday.

## Saturday, Sunday and Training

### Holiday Dining Facilities

43rd ASG Cheyenne Mtn. Inn (building 1040)  
3rd BCT Iron Bde. (building 2061)

## Saturday, Sunday and Training

### Holiday Meal Hours

Brunch	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Supper	3 to 5 p.m.

*Family members are cordially invited to dine in  
Fort Carson dining facilities.*

*When the peach you bought is a lemon:*

# Your rights when your new, used vehicle is defective

by Capt. Roger J. Ivey  
Office of The Staff Judge Advocate  
Legal Assistance Division

Have you ever experienced that sick feeling in your stomach when your brand new shiny convertible starts leaving a trail of parts on the street behind you or loses all its fluids in your driveway ... for about the fifth time? If you have, or if you are thinking about buying a vehicle in the future, then you should know about the rights and protections that state and federal laws offer consumers who get stuck with cars plagued by problems — cars otherwise known as “lemons.”

Both federal and Colorado law provide numerous legal protections for those who buy new and used cars. One of the most important of these is Colorado’s “lemon law,” which specifically protects buyers of certain new, but not used, vehicles. If a vehicle meets the requirements of this law (which are listed below), the dealer or manufacturer may be required to refund a pro-rated amount of the buyer’s full purchase price or to replace the vehicle with a comparable one.

The lemon law only covers vehicles which have defects that “substantially impair” their use and market value and which cannot be corrected. Small problems, such as squeaks, rattles or your hot pink paint job will not fit this requirement — nor will problems that the buyer causes. However, if the car won’t run, keeps overheating or the rear end keeps falling out of it (despite your repeated

trips to the dealer for repairs), you probably have a lemon.

Additionally, the lemon law only applies to new vehicles with defects covered by the written warranty and does not apply to mobile homes or motorcycles. The buyer must give the seller written notice of the defect or defects (by certified mail) and the opportunity to fix the vehicle, both within one year of the car’s purchase. A vehicle that requires repair four or more times for the same problem or is out of service for more than 30 days (either of which occur within one year from the date of purchase) is presumed to have a condition that “substantially impairs” its use and market value and is thus covered by the lemon law.

If your car meets all these criteria and you are convinced it is a true lemon, but the seller doesn’t agree, you may be able to file a lawsuit to force his compliance under the lemon law. However, if the manufacturer has established or participates in certain forms of alternative dispute resolution, such as mediation, you will be required to participate in these procedures before you can sue.

Like the lemon law, most federal and state laws only apply to new vehicles or to used vehicles still under warranty. Even so, there are a few limited protections for purchasers of used cars as well. These rules primarily require sellers to provide accurate and complete information regarding any warranties that may be offered on a car and prohibit them



Colorado’s “lemon law” specifically protects buyers of certain vehicles, if the vehicle meets the requirements of the law, which are listed in the article.

from being deceptive in advertising or trade practices. Used cars must also meet certain basic state safety standards. That being said, however, most used cars are sold on an “as-is” basis, which means just that — what you see is what you get, or don’t get — with no guarantees whatsoever.

Finally, as with all consumer issues, prevention is the best cure. Prior to buying a vehicle, be sure to do your research and study the warranties carefully. Have a competent mechanic or other person check the vehicle and keep all of your purchase and service records and receipts.

If you run into trouble, contact the Fort Carson Legal Assistance Division at 526-5572 and arrange to obtain specific information and guidance on the Colorado lemon law as well as other state and federal laws that may benefit you.

The Fort Carson Legal Assistance Division schedules appointments for the following week on the preceding Friday. The Legal Assistance Division provides appointments on Monday and Friday mornings, as well as Wednesdays. Walk-in consultations are available on a first-come, first-served basis on Monday and Friday afternoons, beginning at 1 p.m.

## Straight shooting from the IG: What to know before you go

by Lt. Col. Terence L. Steed  
7th Infantry Divison and Fort Carson  
Inspector General

*The IG: “The one who goes in after the battle and bayonets the wounded”*

*Anonymous*

The Inspector General profession has come a long way from this widely held belief in our Army’s past history. Our goal today is to help leaders, Department of the Army civilians, soldiers and their families as they go about the very difficult tasks of supporting and defending all we hold dear in this country.

**A soldier’s right to see the Inspector General:**

Soldiers cannot be denied access to an IG. Any soldier may submit a complaint, allegation or request for assistance to an IG concerning matters of Army interest. Soldiers cannot be required to go through the chain of command in order to see the IG. However, they need to use common sense and not just leave their place of duty without permission. When soldiers come to the IG office, we encourage them to discuss their problems with the chain of command first, as prescribed in Army Regulation 600-20. However, soldiers desiring to submit a complaint directly to the IG at any level, without discussing the matter with the chain of command, are permitted to do so. AR 20-1 provides punitive prohibition on restricting lawful communication with an IG, member of Congress, or a member of an audit, inspection, investigation or law enforcement organization within Department of Defense. Any person who asks the IG

for assistance, makes a complaint, gives evidence, contacts or assists an IG, has assurance of confidentiality for his or her contact. This includes safeguarding identity, the nature of the contact with the IG, and protection against reprisal. The IG has a duty to protect confidentiality to the maximum extent possible, especially when it is requested. Persons requesting assistance however, must realize that sometimes it is necessary to reveal identity in order to provide the requested assistance.

**The Commander’s Informal Inquiry:**

An IG is an impartial fact-finder for the commander. We are an extension of his eyes, ears, voice and conscience. The IG can receive many types of complaints. However, some complaints are more appropriately handled by the chain of command. The IG will often request that the commander conduct an inquiry into the issues of a case. If this occurs, the IG will then monitor the situation to ensure the chain of command responds in a timely manner. There are several reasons this might occur.

- The IG may refer a case to the chain of command as a courtesy, because the chain of command has the responsibility and the authority to address requests for assistance and complaints. If the problem is one that a command can solve, the IG will often

refer it to him or her.

- The IG will usually refer an allegation of wrongdoing to the commander. This is because an inquiry performed by the chain of command can be used as a basis for punishment. IG inquiries and investigations cannot be used as the basis for adverse action. The IG

asks the commander to conduct an inquiry to avoid duplication of effort and give the commander the opportunity to take corrective action. The IG considers the complainant’s confidentiality when making this decision.

- There are some matters that the IG is not permitted to address. These materials include criminal allegations, issues with an established appeals process or other channels of redress (NCOERs, EO complaints, and court proceedings), issues not related to the Army, and hazardous working conditions. When such issues are brought to the IG, the IG will advise the complainant of the proper channel for resolution, which may include a commander’s inquiry.

IGs will encourage soldiers to first discuss the complaints, allegations or request for assistance with the commander or chain of command. If a soldier does not wish to do so, the IG will provide assistance unless specific redress procedures are available. Our office will provide the commander a memorandum requesting a commander’s inquiry. The memorandum includes the allegation, issues or concerns of the complainant. Commanders should respond by the established suspense date.

**Before you go:**

- Be sure you have a problem, not just a complaint.
- Give your chain of command the chance to solve the problem
- Contact your local IG first.
- Be honest and don’t provide misleading information.
- IGs can only recommend, not order a resolution.
- Be prepared to take “no” for an answer.

**How to contact the IG:**

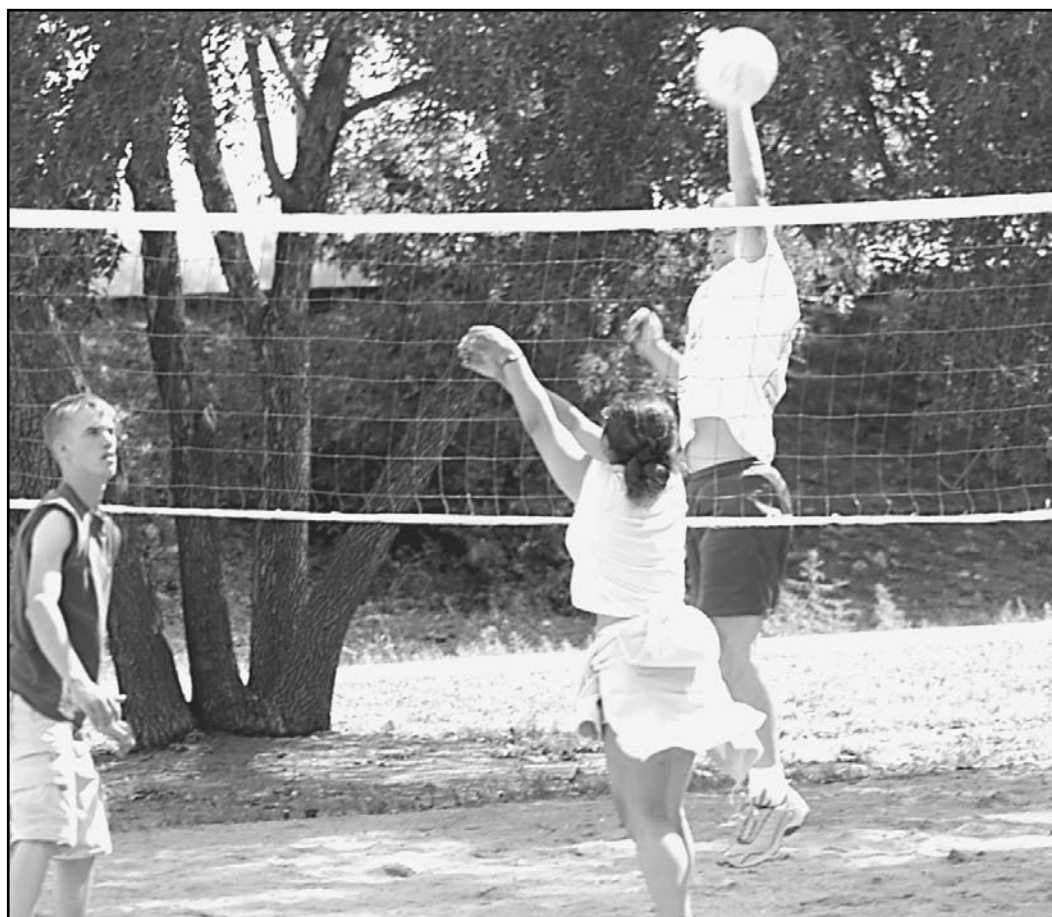
Contact Lt. Col. Terence L. Steed, Inspector General, at 526-3900 (DSN prefix 691), or fax at 526-5177. Office hours: Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in building 1659 (corner of Barkeley and Prussman).

### Did you know ...

Lack of periodic counseling seems to be the most systemic reason for soldiers to seek assistance with the IG when it comes to NCOERs, awards, and letters of concern. AR 635-205 para 3-6a requires the rater of an NCO to conduct performance counseling. This counseling must occur on a regular basis, every three months during the rated period. Accomplishing this counseling would go a long way towards preventing any misunderstanding between the rater and the rated NCO.



# Community



Photos by Spc. Jon Christoffersen

## *End of summer ...*

Members of the 4th Engineer Battalion play volleyball Aug. 29 while Sgt. 1st Class Rene Rodriquez, Company A, 4th Eng. Bn., cooks up some chicken during the battalion's organizational day at Ironhorse Park. Units all over post are marking the end of summer with organizational days, which give soldiers and family members of the unit a chance to enjoy each other's company during leisure activities.



# Community Events

## Fort Carson

### Equal Employment Opportunity training —

The Fort Carson EEO office continues with its presentations of human relation topics for civilian employees. The class for September is "Coaching to improve workplace performance," and a new class "Choosing respect in the workplace." EEO will also offer a special video session about vital employment topics. Classes will be from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Cedar Room at the Family Readiness Center.

Reservations must be made by Tuesday. For more information, call your training coordinator or EEO at 526-4413.

**Fort Carson Area Host Families** — Foreign high school students are scheduled to arrive soon for the academic semester and year program home-stays, and the Pacific Intercultural Exchange still needs more local host families. The students are between 15 and 18 years of age, English-speaking, have their own spending money, carry accident and health insurance and are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families. Families who host for P.I.E. are also eligible to claim a \$50 per month charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a sponsored student.

Executive Director John Doty encourages families to contact the program immediately to allow proper time for the students and hosts to get to know one another before they meet for the first time. Fort Carson area families interested in learning more about the student exchange may call (800) 631-1818.

The agency also has travel/study program opportunities available for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and work with area host families, students and schools.

**Free online courses for federal employees** — Federal workers can take free online courses on about 30 subjects ranging from project management to coping with stress through a government-sponsored Web site [www.golearn.gov](http://www.golearn.gov). Federal employees can take the courses, which require between two and eight hours to complete, at no charge to themselves or their agencies. While the site will offer a limited number of free courses, OPM and the transportation center will start charging agencies for additional courses and services later this year.

**Mayoral program seeks leaders** — There is one vacant position and one position that will soon be vacated within the 11 villages, as well as four positions which will need filling when the new housing areas are completed. For information on the election process or mayor program, call Joey Bautista at 526-1082 or 526-4590.

**Breckenridge Memorial nearing completion** Breckenridge's 10th Mountain Division "Soldiers of the Summit" is becoming a reality. The 80-ton, 10-foot tall boulder base is in place and the six-foot statue of a ski trooper will be completed when additional funds are available. The dedication is set for July 4, 2003. To make a contribution, send checks to the 10th Mountain Division Memorial Fund at Breckenridge, P.O. Box 5284, Breckenridge, CO 80424.

**Tobacco Cessation** — In 1984, more Americans lost their lives to cigarettes than died in all of World War II. You work too hard and matter

too much to too many people to let your life be adversely affected by cigarettes and smokeless tobacco. Consider a tobacco-free life. If you feel like you've tried everything but are still using tobacco, you are not alone. Be encouraged. The more times a person attempts to quit the more likely he/she will successfully quit for good. The Mountain Post Wellness Center offers a four-week personalized and comprehensive program to assist you.

The tobacco cessation program is open to all active duty, family members, retirees and Department of Defense civilians and is free of charge. For more information and to sign up, call the Mountain Post Wellness Center at 526-3887.

**The Pikes Peak Chapter of the American Red Cross offers many training courses** throughout the Colorado Springs Community. Courses offered on military installations require a government ID card to enter the installation. For a list of current dates and times of classes being offered, call 526-2311. Registration can be done over the phone or in person at the main office, building 1526, in the Family Readiness Center.

The American Red Cross has many health and safety classes available including Guard Start, Adult, Child and Infant Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, Pet First Aid and CPR and a free layette program. For more information about the classes, contact Theresa Piscal at 524-1279.

**Leave donations needed** — Paul Damon, Directorate of Community Activities, needs leave donations due to serious injury. Judy Cole of the G-3 is in need of annual leave donations. Judy has exhausted her paid leave due to a serious illness and will need to take approximately 60 days off for treatment and recovery. Point of contact is Kay Poland at 524-2005.

**Family Skate Night** is no longer at the Post Physical Fitness Center. The skating night has been relocated to Ironhorse Park. For those who want to continue roller skating, the rink will be available day and evenings seven days a week at no charge. However, participants must furnish their own skates.

## Around town

**Reunion** — Former members of Company H, 19th Special Forces Group (Airborne) or 5th Special Forces Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Colorado Army National Guard, are invited to a reunion during the weekend of Sept. 14 and 15 in the Denver area. If interested, send your information to

[acoh5then@aol.com](mailto:acoh5then@aol.com) or mail it to Co. H/5th Bn. Reunion, PO Box 31512, Aurora, CO 80012 or call Lt. Col. Harry Owen at (303) 364-8461.

**A new exhibit will open Wednesday at the Third Cavalry Museum, building 2160 on Barkeley Avenue.** The exhibit will open to the public at 9 a.m. and will remain open at the museum until Feb. 2003. "To the colors: A celebration of Army heraldry and national pride 1848-2002" is intended to commemorate Patriot Day and remember the terrible tragedy which occurred one year ago.

The museum will also sponsor a drop-off point for visitors to deposit their unserviceable U.S. flags. For more information, call 526-0269.

**Veterans Day parade** — A parade to honor ex-prisoners of war and those missing in action will be held Nov. 9 at 9:30 a.m. The grand marshals of the parade will be Mario Manfredini, representing veterans of World War II, John Tagert, representing the Korean War, and John (Mike) McGrath, representing the Vietnam War. All three grand marshals are ex-prisoners of war. The theme will be "Honoring Ex-Prisoners of War and Missing in Action." However, all veterans are encouraged to participate and will be honored. For more information, contact Diana D. Cecilian Executive Director Colorado Springs Veterans Day Parade, Inc. at 282-1648 or [vaparade@aol.com](mailto:vaparade@aol.com).

**New groups** — There are two new groups being offered at Social Work Services.


The first group is for junior high age youths whose parents are deployed or scheduled to be

deployed. This will be offered at the Evans Army Community Hospital at Social Work Service, Fridays at 3 p.m.

The second group is an eight-week therapy group for children who have been exposed to physical, sexual and/or emotional violence. Targeted ages are 8 through 12, male and female. This will also be held at EACH, an exact start date has not been determined, but it will be held on Mondays from 3 to 4 p.m.

**The Fort Carson Officers' Spouses' Charitable Association** is looking for new members. The organization is looking for people that have ideas, like to volunteer and want to meet new people.

ESCO is a non-profit, charitable organization that donates time and money raised to the community. For example, once a month, ESCO goes to Broadmoor Courts and host a bingo game for the residents. If you would like more information about ESCO, please contact Erica Burton at 527-9607.



**Army Community Service  
Family Readiness Center**  
1-526-4590






# Homebuying Workshop

For First Time Buyers

## 3rd Tuesday of Every Month

(Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19, Dec. 17)

# 12:30-4:30 p.m.

 Preparing for home ownership
  Choosing a realtor
  Selecting the right house
  Obtaining the right mortgage
  Understanding the closing process

**The Family Connection, Bldg. 1354**  
Advance registration required. Call 526-1070.

## Chaplain's Corner

# Rosh Hashana for Christians, Jews

**Commentary by Mike DeRienzo  
chaplain candidate**

Rosh Hashana, a Biblical holiday, can be meaningful for Christians as well as Jews.

Rosh Hashana literally means "head of the year," and celebrates the day God finished creating the world. Known in the Hebrew scriptures (Tenach) as Yom Teruah (The Day of Blowings), the day begins with the sounding of the shofar (ram's horn). The horn calls people into a time of spiritual renewal, and introspection. Jewish people consider it to be the beginning of the year.

Rosh Hashana begins the Ten Days of Awe in which people focus on God, reflect upon their lives and rid themselves of sin. This is done in a variety of ways including Tashlikh, a ceremonial washing based on Isaiah 1:18: "Though your

sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool." Tashlikh involves throwing stones into a flowing body of water and confessing a sin with each stone. It symbolizes God's washing and can be mean-



ingful to both Christian and Jew. Rosh Hashana is also a time for friends and family to come together and ask one another for forgiveness. These crucial days end with Yom Kippur or the Day of Atonement. This is the day when Jewish people enter into a time of fasting and prayer as they seek to atone for wrongs done and for God's blessing in the New Year. It can also be valuable to the Christian as a time to

assess one's walk with Messiah, thank him for his sacrifice on our behalf, and plan the next year in light of what he has done for us.

### Chapel

#### Protestant Sunday School

will seek to connect faith and life with "Faith Weaver." Protestant Sunday School will resume Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Classes for preschool-adults will be available. Come join in the growing and fun. A variety of adult studies will be offered each Sunday. Registration is being conducted at Soldiers' Memorial Chapel. For more information, call Dennis Scheck at 526-5626.

#### Catholic Religious Education

— Catholic Religious Education

classes will resume on Sunday. Classes for preschool and kindergarten will be from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Classes for first through 12th grades will be from 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. Registration is currently under way. Register at Soldiers' Memorial Chapel Annex, room 153, or pick up registration form in the Library Area of the Annex. Register early to assure placement in classes. For more information call Jim Sciegel, 526-5744.

**Native American Sweatlodge ceremonies** — Native American Sweatlodge ceremonies (He Ska

Akicita Inipi) are offered to military personnel, family members and Department of Defense personnel for traditional prayer and purification. Fasting before the ceremony is recommended and refreshments are offered following the ceremony.

Please call the following for ceremonial information and directions, Michael Dunning at 382-5331, 330-9537, or Zoe Goodblanket at 442-0929.

Volunteer positions are available. For information, call Dennis Scheck at 526-5626.

## TRICARE Prime Remote for family member program

**by Maj. Gen. James E. Donald  
Deputy Chief of Staff**

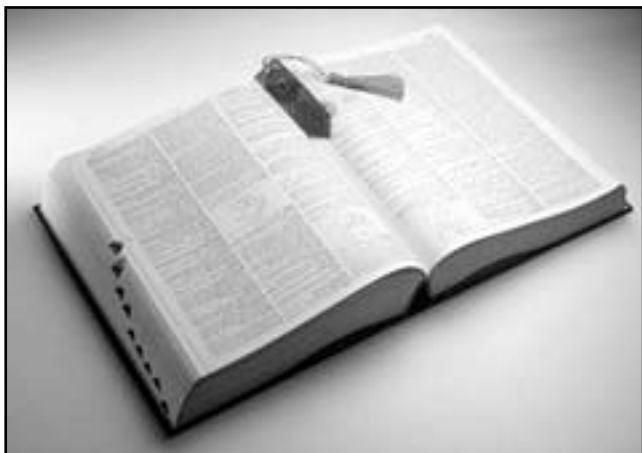
The TRICARE Prime Remote for Active Duty Family Member Program began Sept. 1. We need assistance to ensure eligible families know about the importance of pre-enrolling in the program. This program is important to families stationed remotely (live and work more than 50 miles or approximately a one-hour drive from the nearest military treatment facility in the 50 states), and may apply to families of mobilized reserve soldiers.

The TPRADFM program reduces or eliminates out-of-pocket costs for ADFMs choosing to enroll and brings equity of the TRICARE Prime benefit to ADFMs residing with their TPR-eligible sponsors at remote locations. This includes ADFMs of National Guard and Reserve soldiers on orders for active duty for 179 days or more. To ensure soldiers have adequate time to enroll, the TRICARE Management Activity has extended the pre-enrollment period to Sept. 20. If they enroll by then, it will be retroactive to Sept. 1.

Eligible families not enrolled in TPRADFM by Sept. 20 will automatically revert to TRICARE Standard and will be subject to TRICARE Standard cost shares and deductibles for any care received after Sept. 1.

The Web site, <http://tricare.osd.mil/remote/default.cfm> is excellent and intuitive and can answer many questions that your soldiers might have. Soldiers can enter their zip code to know if they are in a TRICARE remote area, and it gives information on where to easily obtain assistance.





## Chapel

**Wicca group meets at Fort Carson** — There are many “traditions” within Wicca and the tenets, practices and politics vary as they do in many religious groups. The goal for the Fort Carson Open Circle is to allow people of all traditions to come together and learn from each other. They are openly eclectic in that their members are not all of the same faith group but of many different faiths and traditions. They are here to teach each other and to learn from one another. They invite those who have years of experience in their tradition and those who are still seeking their path to come together. The group meets every Tuesday night at 6:30 p.m., at the Family University Building, next to McKibben Physical Fitness Center, corner Ellis and Barkely, on Fort Carson. If you have any questions please call (719) 229-8948 or 634-7243, or via e-mail [ftcarsonopencircle@hotmail.com](mailto:ftcarsonopencircle@hotmail.com).

**Youth of the chapel** — Activities for Protestant and Catholic Middle School and High School Youth take place each Sunday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. at Soldiers’ Memorial Chapel. Protestant High School activities include Bible Studies on Sunday, 9:30 a.m. and Tuesday 6 p.m. at Soldiers’ Memorial Chapel. Catholic youth classes meet at 10:45 on Sunday, Soldiers’ Memorial Chapel.

## Chapel Schedule

ROMAN CATHOLIC					
Day	Time	Service	Chapel	Location	Contact Person
M-W-F	noon	Mass	Healer	Evans Army Hospital	Fr. Gagliardo/526-5769
Tues., Wed., Thurs.	noon	Mass	Soldiers’	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Stahl/526-5769
Saturday	5 p.m.	Mass	Soldiers’	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Stahl/526-5769
Sunday	8 a.m.	Mass	Prussman	Barkeley & Prussman	Chap. Stahl/526-5769
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Mass	Soldiers’	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Stahl/526-5769
Sunday	10:45 a.m.	CCD	Soldiers’	Nelson & Martinez	Jim Sciegel/526-5744
Sunday	11 a.m.	Mass	Healer	Evans Army Hospital	Fr. Gagliardo/526-7386
Sunday	12:15 p.m.	Mass	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Stahl/526-5769
EASTERN ORTHODOX					
Sunday	8 a.m.	Divine Liturgy	Soldiers’	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Olson/526-5772
PROTESTANT					
Sunday	9 a.m.	Protestant	Healer	Evans Army Hospital	Chap. Simmons/526-7387
Sunday	9 a.m.	Protestant	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Drake/526-4206
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Protestant	Veterans’	Magrath & Titus	Chap. Atkins/524-1822
Sunday	11 a.m.	Protestant	Soldiers’	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Kincaid/526-8011
Sunday	11 a.m.	Prot./Gospel	Prussman	Barkeley & Prussman	Chap. Pair/526-2811
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sun. School	Soldiers’	Nelson & Martinez	Dr. Scheck/526-5626
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sun. School	Prussman	Barkeley & Prussman	Chap. Pair/526-2811
Sunday	6:30 p.m.	PYOC	Soldiers’	Nelson & Martinez	Ms. Scheck/524-1166
LITURGICAL PROTESTANT					
Sunday	10:45 a.m.	Protestant	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Bauer/526-5279
JEWISH					
For information and a schedule of Jewish Sabbath services, call the U.S. Air Force Academy Cadet Chapel at 333-2636.					
WICCA					
2nd and 4th Tuesday	6:30 p.m.		Spiritual Fitness Center	Barkeley & Ellis	Ms. Costantino-Mead/ (303) 428-7703

For additional information, contact the Installation Chaplain’s Office, building 1550, at 526-5209. Normally, free child care is available during on-post worship services.

**Daily Bible readings:** In order to assist in regular scripture reading, the following scriptures are recommended. These scriptures are part of the common daily lectionary which is designed to present the entire Bible over a three-year cycle.

**Friday — Psalms 90 & Proverbs 4-7**

**Saturday — Psalms 91 & Proverbs 8-10**

**Sunday — Psalms 92 & Proverbs 11-13**

**Monday — Psalms 93 & Proverbs 14-16**

**Tuesday — Psalms 94 & Proverbs 17-19**

**Wednesday — Psalms 95 & Proverbs 20-22**

**Thursday — Psalms 96 & Proverbs 23-25**

The Army Cycle Of Prayer — Each week the Office of the Army Chief of Chaplains will highlight Army units, the Army at large, the nation and religious organizations to focus prayer. You are invited to join with the chaplain community and pray for these individuals and organizations. Please pray this week for the following: UNIT: For the soldiers and leaders of the 82nd Airborne Division located at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

**ARMY:** For Lt. Gen. David D. McKiernan, the G-3, and the military and civilian personnel who work in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans.

**STATE:** For all the soldiers and families from the District of Columbia. Pray also for Mayor Anthony Williams, the members of the Council of the District of Columbia, and local officials of our nation’s capital.

**NATION:** For the Secretary of the Army, the Honorable Thomas E. White. Pray for him in his mission to improve the quality of life for people, strengthening the Army’s readiness to prevail in every mission, and making the transformation of the Army a reality.

**RELIGIOUS:** For the memory of those killed and for healing and courage for family members, friends and co-workers of those wounded or killed in the attacks in New York City, the Pentagon, and Pennsylvania on United Flight 93 Sept. 11.

For more information on the Army Cycle of Prayer, or to pray for items from previous weeks, visit the cycle’s website at [www.usarmychaplain.com](http://www.usarmychaplain.com).



# Character Counts! family fun fair

by Jan McConnell

## Child and Youth Services

Effective July 29, Department of the Army Child and Youth Services established the Character Counts! curriculum as part of baseline programming for all CYS programs.

The Character Counts! curriculum, sponsored by the nonprofit Josephson Institute of Ethics, emphasizes six attributes: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship. The six pillars of character mirror the Army values of loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity and personal courage.

The Character Counts! curriculum is a framework for "operationalizing" Army values in a meaningful way for children, youth, staff and parents involved in CYS programs.

The objective of American Character Week is to help schools, communities, police and firefighting agencies and others commemorate the first anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks in a manner that encourages community service and celebrates the countless acts of courage, compassion and commitment that showed Americans at their best. It is also a time to introduce the Character Counts! to our CYS patrons and installation.

CYS will provide Character Counts! information today through Sept. 17 to all patrons that utilized our programs on a regular basis.

CYS will host the Character Counts! fair from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday at the Youth Services Center, building 5950, located on Ware. The event is free and activities provided will introduce parents and youth to the six pillars of Character Counts! The following are activities both children and parents can participate in.

## Trustworthiness activities:

Build a tower of trust, children can draw pictures of someone they trust, trust maze, coloring page and book lists which deal with trust. Children and parents will begin their Character Counts! bracelet with a blue bead.

## Respect activities:

Puppet show, coloring pages, golden rule book-mark, respect tower with what children/parents respect, book list, yellow bead for bracelet.

## Responsibility activities:

Build responsibility tower, wordgram, Wheel of Fortune game, book list, coloring page, green bead for bracelet.

## Fairness activities:

Build a tower of fairness, matching game, board game with questions, fill in the blank game, book lists, coloring page, orange bead for bracelet.

## Caring activities:

Build a tower of caring, coupon book for helping, create a greeting card to give to someone, board dice game, coloring page, red bead for bracelet.

## Citizenship activities:

Build a tower of citizenship, make an American flag, cards on the flag will reflect "What America Means to Me," color page, all participants will receive a patriotic pin to be worn over a purple ribbon. Besides the items collected at each booth, the child will receive a front and back cover for a coloring book, and a Character Counts! book, to be used to document you exhibiting character.

## New exhibit to open soon honoring Army heraldry

A new exhibit will open Wednesday at the Third Cavalry Museum, building 2160 on Barkeley Avenue.

The exhibit will open to the public at 9 a.m. and will remain open at the museum until Feb. 2003.

"To the colors: A celebration of Army heraldry and national pride 1848-2002" is intended to commemorate Patriot Day and remember the terrible tragedy which occurred one year ago Sept. 11. The new exhibit will consist of displays of unit and national colors, along with information about proper respect for and display of our national colors.

Featured will be selected examples of historical unit colors from the Third Cavalry Museum's collection as well as special colors on loan from other Army museums. The exhibit will include a U.S. flag made of supply parachute cloth by U.S. prisoners of war held by the Japanese after the fall of Corregidor in 1941, the first U.S. flag planted on San Juan Hill during the Spanish-American War, the 1916 regimental colors of the 8th Infantry Regiment, and an original swallow-tailed cavalry guidon from the Indian War period.

The museum will also sponsor a drop-off point for visitors to deposit their unserviceable U.S. flags which have been flown from car antennas and front porches since Sept. 11. The flags will be properly disposed of.

For more information, call 526-0269.





Mountain Post team members spend their lunch break Wednesday enjoying a bowling game. The bowling center on Fort Carson is one of many locations, sponsored by Directorate of Community Activities, Businesses Division, where soldiers and civilians can spend their free time.

Photos by Spc. Jon Christoffersen

# Looking for fun? Get out with DCA — new entertainment on the way

by Spc. Jon Christoffersen  
Mountaineer staff

Recently, a lot of changes have been going on with entertainment choices on the Mountain Post.

According to Steave Barness, chief of the Businesses Program Division of the Directorate of Community Activities, the changes have been with the benefit of the soldiers here in mind.

“A plan was created to consolidate the three existing clubs we had: Fatz, Neon and, at the time, Christopher’s,” Barness said. “(The plan) is to take those three other clubs and consolidate them in to one multi-function, multi-purpose, high-energy entertainment facility to meet the needs of the community, (mainly) focusing on the single soldiers.”

The plan worked itself into the idea of a high-end sports bar in Christopher’s, located on Specker, across from Burger King.

According to Barness, the sports bar is scheduled to open after the first of the year, with a grand opening tentatively scheduled for the Super Bowl.

Barness said the club will have more than 30 TVs, and have top-end, state-of-the-art video games for the bar.

Barness said there are plans for the other sections of Christopher’s, which won’t be filled with the sports bar.

He said Morale, Welfare and Recreation has gotten together with the Army, Air Force Exchange Service and worked a

deal to bring a name brand fast food service to Christopher’s.

“Godfather’s Pizza, under AAFES contract, will come into Christopher’s late this fall,” Barness said.

The rest of Christopher’s will be used for room rental and catered functions.

Another program the Businesses Division is currently busy with is the golf program on Fort Carson. According to Barness, the golf program here is extremely strong right now and they have some tremendous offers for golfers.

“If you play 18 holes you get nine holes free to use at a later date,” Barness said.

He also said now is a great time to play the course because of the great conditions.

“Most of the public golf courses in town right now are suffering with the water restrictions,” Barness said. “(The Fort Carson golf course uses) our own non-potable water ... so we’re not under the same restrictions, because of that, our golf course is green and is in as good of shape as any course in town right now.”

About a month ago, DCA received funding from the Army to build a new maintenance facility to better care for the golf course.

“It’s going to make the job of the caretakers much easier,” Barness explained. “That will translate into even better course conditions.”

The Bowling Center on post is a source of pride for the

division because of certifications the center has received and events it will be hosting.

“The bowling alley is hosting this year’s Colorado Springs men’s city bowling tournament,” Barness said.

Barness also said the center here is the only center in town doing what’s called “sport bowling.”

Sport bowling is a national certified lane setup designed to make the lanes more challenging.

“It’s customizing the oil that we put on the lane so that it’s harder,” Barness said. “Between the technology and the oils and paddings they put down, bowling for a lot of people has become very easy. Sport bowling is a step to go back to put some more challenge in the game.”

DCA Businesses Division is also charged with running both the Elkhorn Conference and Catering Center and Turkey Creek Ranch recreation area. Barness said there are changes planned for both places including lowering the prices for use of the Elkhorn and a Fall Fest at Turkey Creek, including a rodeo.

“Everything we do, every program created, every price we set is driven with the soldier in mind.”

Most of the money to run DCA comes from recapitalization of funds produced through businesses such as the club systems and bowling alley. The way for soldiers to see more activities on post is to participate in the activities already on post, according to Barness.



Roger Richardson, right, and William Nixon work on the ceiling in Christopher’s. The building is going to be the new home of a sports bar and Godfather’s Pizza. According to Steave Barness, chief of Businesses Program Division for the Directorate of Community Activities, Godfather’s is scheduled to open in late fall and the sports bar after the first of the year.



Robert Duerr installs new ceiling tiles at Christopher’s, on Specker, Tuesday. The new businesses going in at Christopher’s are only a few of the places soldiers can spend their free time.

“Everything we do, every program created, every price we set is driven with the soldier in mind.”

Steave Barness,  
Businesses Program  
Division chief,  
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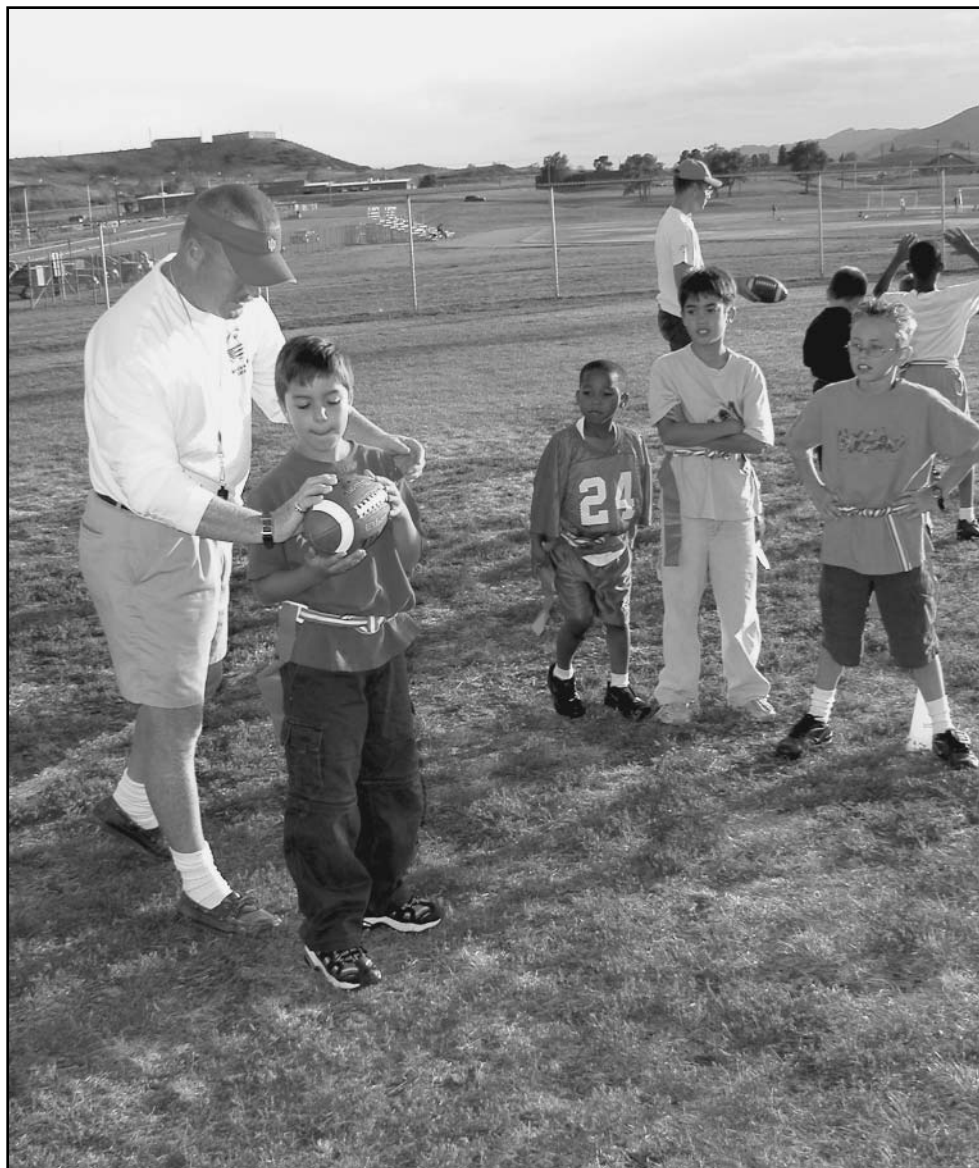




# Sports & Leisure

## Youth Sports

# Youth soccer, football seasons begin



Photos by Walt Johnson

Teaching young players to throw the football is key for 7-to-9 year old coach Marc Scroggins, left.



Dori Martinez, front left, and Keishell Cox, front right, teach cheers to a 5-to-6 year old group.

by Walt Johnson  
Mountaineer staff

Walk around the post youth sports fields Saturday and you would be well advised to pay attention to where you are going and what is flying around the open spaces. Footballs and soccer balls will be flying all over the fields as the fall youth football and soccer seasons get under way.

"The start of a new season is always a fun time for us because it is the beginning of something fresh and new. The kids know it, the parents know it and the coaches know it. It is always fun to watch the kids start at this point and see where they end up at the end of the season," said Jeannie McCormick, youth center sports coordinator.

Games will be played each Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the youth sports fields. The games are played in various age categories with the 5-to-6 year olds getting things under way at 9 a.m. and older age groups taking the field afterward.

This is the time of year that sees more youths participating in sports

because of the dual seasons.

McCormick said this year's season should be just as exciting as previous years.

"We get a little excited during football and soccer season because the kids and parents seem to have a little extra enthusiasm after the lazy days of August have passed. This year we have watched our players and coaches as they have held practice sessions and there is definitely an enthusiasm and spirit that usually translates into a wonderful season. The youth center sports staff is looking forward to this being one of our best football and soccer seasons in some time," McCormick said.

"One of the things we think we will see this year is more competitive balance. We have a number of kids who have been in the program for a few years and they are maturing as players," McCormick said.

"We also have some of the best coaches we have had in our program and that is saying a lot because we always have had outstanding coaches in both our soccer and football programs," McCormick said.

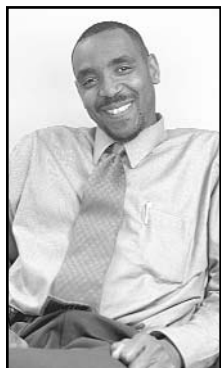


This 7-to-9 year old team learns the proper techniques to take a hand-off for a running play.



### On the Bench

# Evans Army Hospital annual challenge run set for Sept. 14



Johnson

by Walt Johnson  
Mountaineer staff

*Gang, a personal note after some local news.*

**The annual Medical Activities Department Challenge seven-and-a-half mile race is fast approaching.**

This year's race will be held Sept. 14 at the hospital at 8 a.m. with a children's run beginning at 7:30 a.m.

For more information on the MED-DAC Challenge, call Sgt. 1st Class Stephen Wheat at 526-7190.

**If you have ever been interested in coaching at the high school or other level, a certification class may be your ticket to future success.**

Joe Gentry and the post Directorate of Community Activities staff, is offering a certification class for military members in the Colorado Springs area.

The course will focus on coaching philosophy, psychology, physiology, pedagogy and sports management.

The certification will be valid for five years and is a general coaching

certification course, not a course for a specific sport.

The class will be held Sept. 19 and 20 from 5 to 9 p.m. at the outdoor recreation building on post at a cost of \$65, which includes the price for study materials, examination and a snack.

People interested in the course must sign up before Tuesday or pay a late registration fee of \$10. Non-military people may participate in the course upon request for a special rate of \$100, according to Gentry

**On a personal note, I have consistently heard people use the word hero, in one form or another.**

However a person who chooses to use the term is all right with me. This week, I want to dedicate this column to the memory of some heroes who may not have played the game, but certainly reminded all of us what the score is.

A year ago Wednesday one of the most cowardly acts of my lifetime took place in New York City and Washington D.C. We know I am talking about the World Trade Center and Pentagon terrorist acts.

Like many of you, I have been

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Photo by Walt Johnson

## Stretching for fitness ...

**Forrest Fitness Center aerobics coordinator Gina Casanova, left, shows a student the proper techniques during a recent Piyou/Yoga class.**

## Bench

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tempted to think of the people who play our games as heroes if they get a game winning hit, sink the last second shot or score the game-winning touchdown.

But I have revised my definition of a hero to extend to the victims, living and dead, of the Sept. 11 terrorist acts.

No one knows how these acts will affect them personally, but I know this act hit closer to home for me than I would have liked. When the attack happened, I had an enormous sense of pride in our country and the people who fought so hard to save the people who could still have been alive after the towers collapsed.

Then my attention turned to the people who lost their lives. Then my attention turned to a lady who showed me what being a hero is all about.

You may not know Gerri Satterfield, but I do. If you saw President George W. Bush hold up the badge of a policeman whose mother gave him the badge after the attacks, you now will know that the badge belonged to the brother of Satterfield, who lost his life in one of the towers.

I work with Satterfield every day and I see a woman with such enormous strength and courage that she will forever be my idea of what courage and being a hero is all about. Some people have suggested we make Sept. 11 a national holiday. I personally would not dignify the actions of those cowards by proclaiming a national holiday.

Instead, I am going to remember the people who lost their lives and the people who survive them today as the heroes they are. There is not a day that goes by that I don't think about the innocent people who lost their lives because of the evil act. I know how hard it is to forget that day. I watch people like Satterfield and others I see on the newscasts and see how well they are coping and I know who the true heroes are.

To each of the people who are no longer with us and to the survivors, I want you to know someone thinks of you as a hero.

To Satterfield and the other survivors of this day, I say thank you for showing me what a true hero is. Every day will be a national holiday in the memory of every American, who are proud of the loved ones lost, and the way the survivors have shown us the true meaning of courage.



Photo by Walt Johnson

## *National Anthem ...*

**The Fountain-Fort Carson Trojans choir sings the national anthem prior to the school's first football game of the season Aug. 30 at Fountain-Fort Carson High School's football field.**



# Pigskin Picks

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# ***Mountaineer Youth Sports***

### ***Trojans begin season ...***

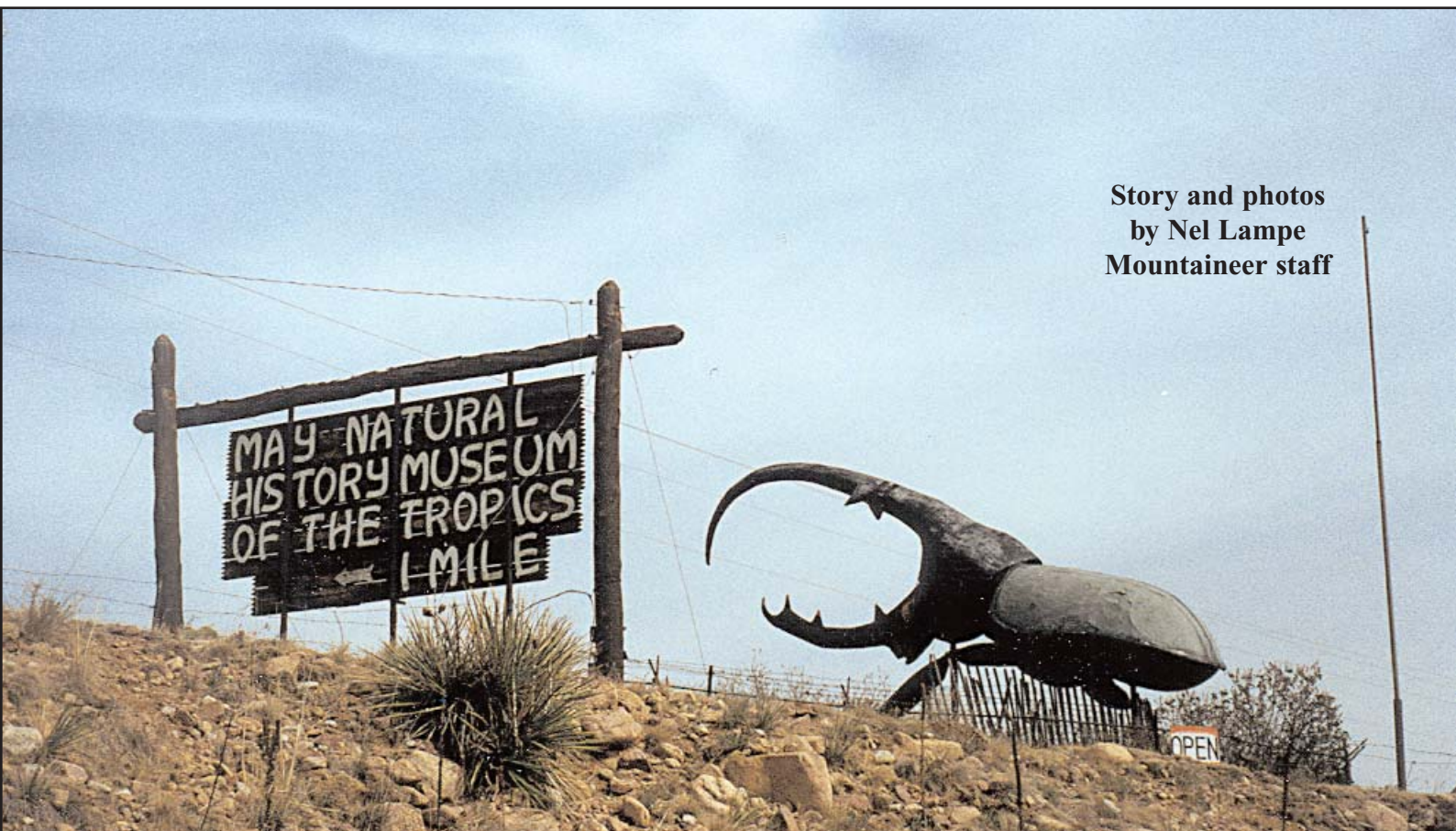
The Fountain-Fort Carson Trojans defense, in dark jerseys, hunkers down in an attempt to prevent a Liberty High School touchdown in the second half of the game played Aug. 29 at Fountain-Fort Carson High School. The Liberty Lancers defeated the Trojans 38-14. The Trojans will be in action again today at 4 p.m. when they meet the Harrison High School Panthers at Harrison High School at 4 p.m.



Photo by Walt Johnson



Story and photos  
by Nel Lampe  
Mountaineer staff



The giant beetle figure near Fort Carson's Gate 6 on Highway 115 has been a landmark for many years.

## It's a bug's life:

### May Natural History Museum of the Tropics

Anyone heading south of post on Highway 115 has probably seen that giant beetle perched on a hill on the west side of the highway. Although it is patterned after the world's largest beetle, if life size it could easily be the star of a B movie, called perhaps "The Attack of the Giant Beetle."

The gigantic beetle is a replica of the world's largest beetle built at a scale of 19 to one. It was created to call attention to the only museum of its kind in North America and perhaps the world — the May Museum of Natural History of the Tropics, located a mile down the road.

There's a specimen of the actual beetle in the May museum.

John May explored the world for 70 years, gathering his collection of



Colorful butterflies are part of the collection on display in the May Museum.

about 100,000 insects. He is a third-generation bug collector, getting his start as a young boy when he helped his father exhibit a tropical insect collection in Canada and throughout the United States. His father, James F. W. May, was born in England but raised in South America where his father collected bugs for the British Museum and was one of the Amazon River's first explorers. James F.W. May, an Englishman, served with a police unit during the Boer War and was seriously wounded. While he was in South Africa, he gathered insects for the collection.

John May moved his family to Colorado Springs from Canada in the early 1940s, arriving about the same time as Camp Carson was established. He wanted to live in the mountains and be centrally located in the United States. He made this his headquarters while making a living by traveling the nation exhibiting his bug collection. He traveled with

about 30 cases of insects.

May started developing the property off Rock Creek Canyon Road in the 1940s, building a house and the building which is the museum. May and his brother made their own concrete blocks for building the walls. May said he collected sand from Turkey Creek for the concrete. The museum is still housed in the original building.

Watch the 12-minute video about insects before starting the museum tour.

The May museum displays are not Smithsonian-style exhibits; there are no dioramas, computerized music or animation. The giant beetles don't growl or move, nor do the butterflies fly. The insects are pinned in airtight, glass covered cases, with simple labels.

Visitors are directed along a one-way path around the museum. Insects of similar species are grouped in each case, but are randomly displayed alongside cases of other collections.

Colorful butterflies are in one case; perhaps the next case contains locusts, tarantulas or beetles. The cases are the



John May, founder of the May Natural History Museum of the Tropics points out the 18-inch length of a "stick" insect.



Places to see in the Pikes Peak area.



## Bugs

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same ones used when the museum opened in 1947, marked with simple, handmade labels. Many of the insects were mounted by May's father, and May himself made the cases.

There are several good collections in the United States, May said, but they are not generally available to the public.

May points out that the museum collection contains many specimens which are rare or difficult to get. In some cases, the insects may now be extinct. He only displays about 7,000 specimens at a time because that's about all anybody can look at, he said. Occasionally May rotates different cases of insects through the exhibit.

Louise Steer, May's daughter, shares office duties with her twin sister, Lynda Senko. Steer estimates that 20,000 to 30,000 people visit the museum, which is open from May 1 to Sept. 30, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The museum is closed the rest of the year, except for visiting groups of students or for groups of 10 or more people by arrangement. Admission is \$4.50 for adults and \$2.50 for children ages 6 through 12. Children under 6 years old are admitted free when accompanied by their family.

May said children especially like the museum because they can tell everything is real.

May would like people to appreciate bugs for more than just being the basis for the food chain. They make important contributions to nature — pollination, for instance. And spiders eat mosquitoes.

Both old and young people visit the museum. Many visitors are local citizens, school groups or campers staying at the Golden Eagle Ranch, a campground and recreational vehicle park which also belongs to the May family.

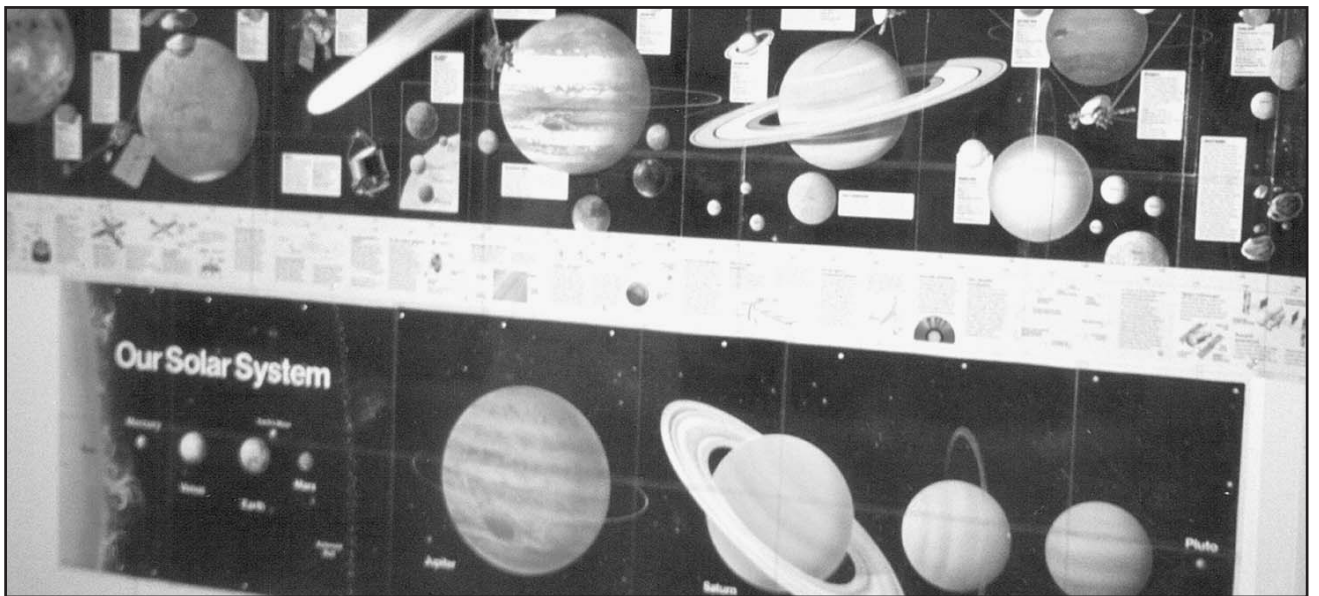
There's a gift shop with a large variety of insect-related gifts, T-shirts, stamps, posters, models and books. There are also butterfly nets, critter huts, twig pencils and toy stuffed animals and bugs.

Although the campground is only a mile from the highway, it is 1,000 acres of trees, 10 miles of hiking trails and five lakes for fishing. A Colorado fishing license is not required, but a \$5 fishing permit must be purchased at the campground office. Only guests of the campground are allowed to fish in the lakes. Steer said this is not a really good year for fishing, because the water is so low.

The campground is one of the largest in the state, with almost 500 camp sites, many of them pull-through sites with electrical hookups. The



Lakes at the Golden Eagle Campground are very low this year because of the statewide drought.



A pictorial display of the solar system is in the Museum of Space Exploration located near the May Natural History Museum of the Tropics, just minutes from Fort Carson.

camp units with no hookup is \$20, with full hookup \$22. The campground is open May through September. and has a playground, showers and laundry facilities. No open fires are allowed in the campground this year because of Colorado requirements and the fire danger. Only propane or Coleman stoves may be used.

Golden eagles can sometimes be seen at the campground late in the day. Ask at the office for information about where to see the eagles. Birds and wildlife are in the campground area.

Another museum is on the Golden Eagle Ranch — the Museum of Space Exploration, which is included in the admission for the bug museum. This museum is the result of May's other hobby: space. May has been interested in space since experiments with rockets began.

May works closely with NASA, and the museum contains a large collection of photographs, models and posters. May's daughter, Carla Harris, is the museum's curator.

For someone with a keen interest in space, this museum is a treasure trove. It would take hours to read all the information posted. The exhibits pictorially trace the exploration of space, from experimental rockets to Mars, from the space shuttle to the Hubble telescope.

There are extensive exhibits about astronomy, unidentified flying objects, Star Trek and a star map. Several models of the space shuttle, rockets and airplanes are displayed.

The space collection fills three mobile buildings and is in walking distance of the bug museum.

Official NASA films are available for viewing by request. If you want to see one of the films, ask at the office as there sometimes is no attendant on duty in the space museum.

To reach the Golden Eagle Ranch, take

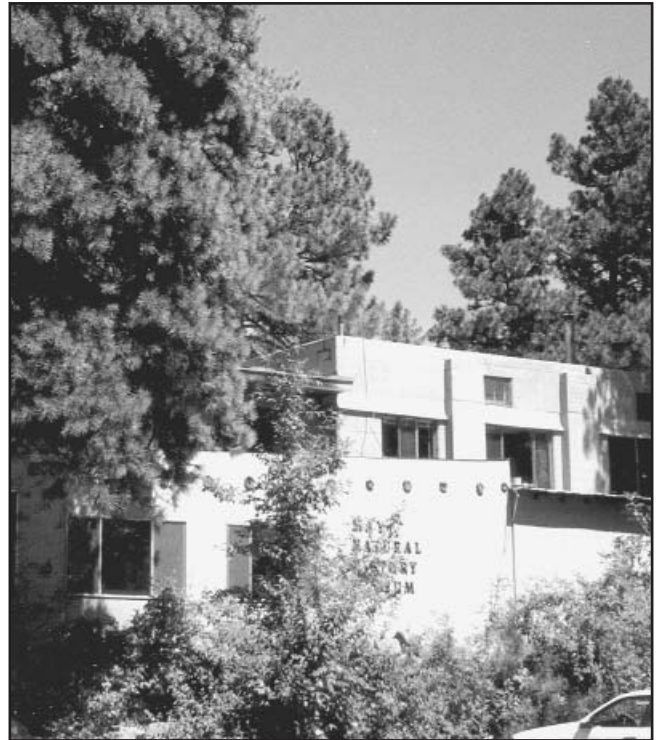
Highway 115 south of Fort Carson's main gate for about three miles. Watch for the big beetle and large brown sign, taking a right onto Rock Creek Canyon Road. It's just opposite Fort Carson's Gate 6.

It's about a mile on a paved road to the campground headquarters, the May Natural History Museum of the Tropics and the Space Exploration Museum.

The phone number is 576-0450.



Louise Steer feeds a black widow spider living at the May Museum.



The May museum is a mile west of Highway 115, on Rock Creek Canyon Road.

### Just the Facts

- Travel time 10 minutes
- For ages All
- Type Bug museum
- Fun factor ★★★★★ (Out of 5 stars)
- Wallet damage \$

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## Get Out!

### Joyrides

New this year is a **two-acre Corn Maze** at JoyRides Family Fun Center, 5150 Edison Ave., on Colorado Springs' east side, near the Flea Market. The Corn Maze will be open from September through October, Mondays to Thursdays, from 3 to 8 p.m., Fridays from noon to midnight, Saturdays from noon to 10 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 7 p.m. Night-time viewers should bring a flashlight. Maze admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 3 to 11. The Maze is included in all-access passes. Elvis Impersonator Maurice Sheps presents a free concert Saturday at 2 p.m. Win prizes for "Elvis sightings" in the Maze. For more information, log on to [www.joyridesffc.com](http://www.joyridesffc.com) or call 573-5500.

### Fine Arts Center musicals

**Season tickets** are being sold for the 2002-2003 Repertory Theatre Company season at the Fine Arts Center, 30 W. Dale St. The opening production, "Man of La Mancha," is Oct. 4 to 20. "Once Upon a Mattress," is Dec. 6 to 22. "Chicago" is Feb. 7 to 23 and "Damn Yankees" is May 2 to 18. Non-member tickets are \$22 in advance or \$25 at the door, and season tickets are \$75 per person. Call 634-0570 for information.

### Football season

**The Air Force Academy Falcon football schedule** continues with a home game Saturday with New Mexico, followed by Navy, Oct. 5, Brigham Young University, Oct. 12, Notre Dame, Oct. 19 and Colorado State University, Oct. 31. The final home game is San Diego State, Nov. 23, which is also military appreciation day. Call 472-1895 for tickets.

### Sesame Street

**Sesame Street Live** is at the Pikes Peak Center, 190 S. Cascade through Sept. 15. Performances are at 7 p.m. Thursday and Sept. 13. There are daytime performances Sept. 14 and 15. Call 530-7469.

### Folk Art Fest

**The biggest folk art fest in the region** is set for

Sept. 13, 14 and 15 at Rock Ledge Ranch, at the entrance to Garden of the Gods. Several large tents house dozens of vendor booths featuring antiques, holiday decorations and gifts, decorating items, clothing, jewelry, food vendors and much more. Food vendors are on hand. Admission is charged.

### The Circus in coming

**Ringling Bros. Barnum & Bailey Circus** returns to the World Arena Oct. 2 to 6. There are several performances; call 576-26226 for tickets.

### Car show

The **Goodguys Colorado Classic car** show is at Pikes Peak International Raceway today through Sunday, beginning at 8 a.m. Featured are hot rods, classics, custom and muscle cars. PPIR is about nine miles south of Fort Carson on Interstate 25. Call 382-7223 for information.

### Air Force Academy Concerts

**The Air Force Academy Concert Series** for the upcoming season includes James Brown, Sept. 14; Rebecca St. James, Oct. 5; "South Pacific," Nov. 2, "Aeros," Feb. 8, "Swing," March 29, and Lee Greenwood and Sandi Patty, April 12. Call the Arnold Hall Theater box office at 333-4497.

### Six Flags

**Plan to get in the last touch of summer at Six Flags Elitch Gardens** Sept. 27, from 5 to 11 p.m. For the first time, the amusement park will be open only to the military. Tickets are available at the Information, Tickets and Registration Office in the Outdoor Recreation Center for \$16 each and are available to servicemembers, Reservists, Army civilians and post contractors. Parking at Six Flags is \$8.

### Scottish/Irish festival

The annual **Longs Peak Scottish/Irish Highland Festival** is through Sunday in Estes Park at the fairgrounds. The event includes Highland games, concerts, dancing and more. Find more information by calling (800) 90-Estes.

### Culture fest

**A free cultural event for the whole family** is at Meadows Park Community Center, 1943 S. El Paso Saturday from noon until 4 p.m. Activities include music and dance performances, clowns, face painting, cultural arts, crafts and a fashion show and other

activities. The park is in the southern part of the city, close to Fort Carson. Call 576-6120 for information.

### Honey Bees

**The "Honey Harvest" at Bear Creek Park Nature Center** is Sept. 14, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Observe beekeepers take honey and wax from the hives at the Nature Center and taste the honey. The Bear Creek Nature Center is at 245 Bear Creek Road. There's no charge and no reservation needed. Call 520-6387 for information.

### Quilt exhibit

**The Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum opens its annual Quilts and Woodworking** juried exhibition Saturday. The show presents 40 superior handmade quilts and wordwork. The popular exhibition is on display through Oct. 27. The museum is at 215 S. Tejon St., and is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Sundays from 1 until 5 p.m. Admission is free.

### Zoo hours change

**Cheyenne Mountain Zoo has returned to winter hours.** The zoo opens at 9 a.m., but now closes at 5 p.m., with the last admission sold at 4 p.m. Admission rates are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 3 to 11, and children 2 and under are admitted free. Memberships are available. The zoo is open every day of the year, and is at 4250 Cheyenne Mountain Zoo Road, near the Broadmoor Hotel.

### Symphony season

**Tickets are now being sold for the Colorado Springs Symphony season.** The all orchestral premiere is Sept. 20, 21 and 22. Although there are several concerts featuring classical music, the symphony also has a series called "Super Pops," which includes Broadway and Gershwin music, as well as appearances by Ray Charles Jan. 31 and Feb. 1, and Riders in the Sky in April. For ticket information, call 633-6698 or 520-SHOW or Ticketmaster at 520-9090. Online, it's [www.cssymphony.org](http://www.cssymphony.org).

### Concerts

**There's plenty of music concerts in the Denver area** — contact Ticketmaster at 520-9090 about appearances of the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band Reunion Tour/Taj Mahal, Sept. 13; Kansas/America, Sept. 20; Eddie Money/Loverboy Survivor, Sept. 25; and Enrique Iglesias/Soluna, Oct. 25.

# Happenings



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## Kilts ...

**Kilts, pipes, drums and Highland games of brawn and skill are part of the Scottish/Irish Highland Games in Estes Park through Sunday. Estes Park is northwest of Denver.**



Program Schedule for Fort Carson cable Channel 10, today to Sept. 13.

Mountain Post Magazine: stories on soldiers, civilians and family members of the Mountain Post. Airs at 7 a.m., 10 a.m., noon, 3 p.m., 7 p.m. and midnight.

Army Newswatch: includes stories on the homicides at Fort Bragg, N.C., pet antibiotics and fire-fight in Afghanistan (repeat). Airs at 7:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 12:30 a.m.

Navy/Marine Corps News: includes stories on the USS John F. Kennedy, the Navy Family Team Summit and the Fleet Battle Experiment. Airs at 8 a.m., 1 p.m., 8 p.m. and 1 a.m.

Air Force News: includes stories on the Special Operations aircraft, image analysis and the Pentagon terrorist attack anniversary. Airs at 8:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m. and 1:30 a.m.

Channel 9 daily broadcasts SCOLA, foreign language news broadcasts. Access the schedule at the Fort Carson Web site.

If you have comments on Channel 10 programming or wish to coordinate a broadcast on Channel 10, please contact Chief of Command Information at 526-1241 or via e-mail at

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If you have ideas for Mountain Post Magazine, please phone 526-1253 or e-mail [MountainPostMagazine@carson.army.mil](mailto:MountainPostMagazine@carson.army.mil).

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